

1 240042 DA CDC Request that the approximate 250 personnel of 1st Arm Div currently at CDEC be returned to JMWOC control and home station soonest. Journal

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2 240125 C Wheeler War Room Shift "B" In preparation for the CDEC briefing for Gen Taylor, the army is requested to provide Col Blocker (tel 242020) by 0400 each morning any problems encountered covering the score, impact and etc. The army representative at the CDEC meetings are to serve as back up for three weeks. Journal

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3 240444 JDC CINCPAC The JMWOC will be deployed against Cuban bound vessels transiting Panama Canal. Journal

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4 240501 CIN JC 3 COM-RC req auth from D- to cancel demon for WC scheduled 31 OCT. Journal

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5 240250 Gen Wheeler WF Gen Wheeler visited War Room. Reviewed CITEREF - significant events. Discussed the following with Gen Parker:

1. Savannah ramp project - Chief of Staff directed that specific recommendations be obtained from JC on construction of port facilities at Savannah.

2. Gen Parker advised the C/S that 1 MVT has been added to the PACOM Mob to bring the total up to 5 MVT's

3. The C/S is still not satisfied with plans concerning tanks ashore on D+1. In original planning the lack of tank support was ascertainable, but the situation has changed. The C/S wants tank support with landing forces. If CG YWILL and Corps responds to M query that present plans for tank support are adequate, the Army staff must give counsel.

4. Pass to the Army Staff that the selection of Army component units for Ball to -D should not be

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5				based solely on proximity to the area of employment, but rather on combat readiness. In the event like units have approximate equivalent combat readiness, then proximity would be factor.	
6	240820	Lt Col Hall	Col Fletcher	Repeat JCS 6920 to component commanders - 1st Div etc. Indicate Buck Shot for staff dist.	Journal
7	240915	CINCPAC	3000PS	Msg in reply to DA 220593 in re outlining TF of 1st Arm Div.	Journal
8	241111	C/S	CINCPAC	C/S Wheeler who dictated personal msg to Gen. Powell in regard to items he desires to discuss w/C. Powell in meeting 241600 Oct.	Message dispatched Journal
9	241130	CINCPAC	3000PS	Operations Summary as of 240900 Oct	Journal
10	241125	CINCPAC		DA IN 279733-LTMS req to furnish instr in re to movement of pers of TF Charlie 1st Arm Div.	Journal
11	241130	CINCPAC		Sitrep as of 232400Z (DA IN 279641)	Journal
12	241135	Ft Hood	CGCINARC	1st ME Bn departs by air for James Connally AB 240600Z. ETA of last 1st ME Bn Ft Bragg 241010Z (DA IN 279625)	Journal
13	241140	CINCPAC	CINCPACSTRIKE	CINCPACSTRIKE Reg one Nike Hercules Bn be provided CINCPAC for SE US Def.	Journal
14	240515			Significant events period 230515 to 240500	Journal
15	241250	CINCPAC	WR	FORNCON from Col White CINCPAC Reports all CINCPAC ARLANT & RSTRIKE forces attained DEFCON 3 status 241330Z	Journal
16	240830	C Wheeler	C Fletcher	Gen Parker's debrief 240830	Journal
17	241330	DA	JCS	Movement report period ending 241200Z	Journal
18	241222	CINCPAC	CGXVIII 1/3	CINCPAC rec that 1st Arm Div HQ be moved to Ft Stewart with the 1st, 2d, 5th & 6th Increments of TF "Charlie" Div rear CP per remain at Ft. Hood.	Journal



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19 241415 CONARC CINCLANT Operations Summary as of 240000Z includes following significant items:  
 CINCOSTRIKE released 1st CTL of 52d D Bn 2d Mst Regt (Nike-Hercules) - 1 Btry, Ft. Bliss to CINCSNAB.  
 Responsibilities for immediate reaction forces has been assigned to 5th Inf Div (Main) Div to have one Brigade of two 1st Inf Bns in ready & deployable status. Post on board Journal

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20 240900 Col Lang Col Fletcher DTMS needs more lead time on movements of units in order to have additional time to negotiate with railway officials - Requests name of person or persons to contact Lt. Col. Hooley, Mr. Collins, & Lt. Col. [redacted] DTMS CT OR regarding above to acquaint them with problems & request assistance for Col Lang. Journal Troop Movement report

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21 241245 Ft. Hood CONARC-CINCOSTRIKE 40th Sig Bn Ft. Gordon Ga. departed this station 241200Z Oct 62. 7 Off. 165 EM 68 ven 214 Ft. Gordon Ga. 282200Z Oct 62 Journal Troop Movement report

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22 241250 Ft. Hood CONARC-CINCOSTRIKE 261st Sig Co Ft. Bliss Tex departed this station 241200Z Oct 62. 2 Off. 62 EM, 22 ven. Journal Troop movement report

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23 CINCLANT CINCOSTRIKE BRIEF: The first infantry brigade, Ft. Benning (first ARB, 58-Inf. and first BG 29th Inf) is not on the CTRAC troop list. Unit is committed under 4 JDP PL X "defense of the Florida Keys". This message also contains a listing of logistical units on the CTRAC list and not involved in Cuban op plans which are essential to execution of 34d Army support plan for CINCLANT plan and defense of the Florida keys, and requested immediate release of these units. Journal

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24 CONARC CONARC CONARC Message requests that CONARC be notified (with respect to hawk Bn 8/15 located at Ft Lewis) of authority to move, destination, date on site, and command which will assume operational control of unit. Journal

25	CINC-RIB	JCS	Three (3) special forces detachments type 1 will depart canal zone at 241700Z for Ft Branz.	Journal																					
26	CINCINAD	JCS	<p>The status of CINCLANT FORCES DEPLOYING in support of CINCLANT is:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>UNIT</th> <th>DEPARTS</th> <th>ARRIVES HOMECOTE</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>6/65th Arty Bn</td> <td>221258Z</td> <td>240458Z</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8try</td> <td>221258Z</td> <td>240458Z</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B</td> <td>220027Z</td> <td>241227Z</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C</td> <td>230115Z</td> <td>241227Z</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D</td> <td>230530Z</td> <td>241227Z</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8try</td> <td>230730Z</td> <td>241227Z</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	UNIT	DEPARTS	ARRIVES HOMECOTE	6/65th Arty Bn	221258Z	240458Z	8try	221258Z	240458Z	B	220027Z	241227Z	C	230115Z	241227Z	D	230530Z	241227Z	8try	230730Z	241227Z	Journal
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27	Do	CINCLANT	(From General Parker for General Powell) This is to confirm my understanding that no repeat no elements of the 4th Infantry Division and the 2d Armored Division are now committed to CINCLANT OPLAN and that both divisions therefore are now available for rapid reinforcement of USMACV.	Journal																					
28	241700Z	Gen Brown, W3/LaChaussee JCS JC Rx	Discussed recommended distribution of SITREP (Ref atchd memo). Directed that "(1) JIG, JCS, CMSG, and JCS be deleted from SITREP distribution (2) add Army Materiel Command and COMUSMACV	Journal																					
29		LaChaussee	<p>Meeting conducted by CofC at 1945, 24 Oct 62.</p> <p>Persons attended included: General Wheeler; General Powell; General Parker; General Hamlett (arr 1900); General Truman and General Hatchin. Discussed aspects of OPLAN 316-62 to include sealift, phasing of armor.</p>	Journal																					

31	241038	CINCLANTM	CINCLANTFLT	BRIEF: In event Execution of REF A is not directed but Cuba Attacks NAVBASE GTMO, CINCLANTFLT directed provide air support to COMANTDEFCON for defense of NAVBASE GTMO.	BRIEF - Journal
32	241354	CINCPAC	JCS	BRIEF: Three special forces operations detachments /ALPHA, requested by CINCLANT, being held in C pending instruction from JCS.	BRIEF
33	241405	CG 12th BN C RPS	CG MAC LANGLEY	BRIEF: Dropping Dummy Parachutists was proposed as a Diversionary measure in support of 316-61 and 316-62 Ref 1 and 2. Feel strongly that the drop- ... as proposed would be most effective in causing the enemy to Divert Some effort away from the Objective Area. Request that action be taken immediately to incorporate the Dummy Drop as proposed by utilizing any aircraft which can be made available	BRIEF
34	241558	CG 12th BN C RPS	CG MAC LANGLEY	BRIEFING: Take action necessary to prepare and move the 2d Msl Bn, 52d Arty Regt (minus 1 Btry), from Ft Bliss, and the 8th Msl Bn, 15th Arty, from Ft Lewis to Florida. Areas of deployment follow: 2d Msl Bn, 52d Arty (-) - Homestead AFB, Fla. 8th msl Bn, <del>15th</del> 15th Arty - Patrick AFB, Fla. 1 Btry, 8th Msl Bn, 15th Arty MacDill AFB, Fla.	BRIEF <i>High Level</i>
35	241715	CINCPAC	JCS	BRIEF: In view of the fact that the joint defense plan for the Florida Keys will be essential to the successful implementation of CINCPAC PLAN 316, recommend that the Joint Chiefs of Staff be reminded that the President of the United States must declare the area defined below as an exclusion area: The exclusion area will be bounded by lines through the following geographical points: (Area is being outlined on map) REMARKS: Talking paper with proposed submission to JCS.	BRIEF
36	241825	COMUSMACV	JCSOPF 34	BRIEF: Moving Task Force Charlie to Ft Stewart enables the introduction of this TF into the	

objective area providing the LCTs are available at the outloading port at an earlier date and that transportation movement changes have been made. It is highly desirable that TF Charlie armor be introduced into the objective area as soon as possible.

There is no armor in increments three, four and six. There are 23 tanks in increment one, 54 tanks in increment two and 17 in increment five.

BRIEF: The command structure outlined in T.O. 2-44.31 is approved. Advance parties are on route. Commanders of units are to be located in Florida exclusive of JTF 125 will announce when operational. CINCPACFLT will be established. C-5A. The peninsula Base Command is hereby established to encompass the state of Florida. Second Log Command will furnish Hq and staff of JSC. Major Subordinate Commands are South East Terminal Command and the several Staging Area Commands. Hq South East Terminal Command will be established at Fort /Everglades.

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Sign events

BRIEF: Commanders, assessment of situation: Defense capability good with approximately 23% fighter forces, 30% SAM and 22% surveillance operationally ready.

Sign Events

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Movement not as of 241200Z Oct 62

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CINOSTRIKE CINOSTRIKE

BRIEF: 2. All logistical requested units except the 168 Signal Co (Missile support), are released from the operational control of CINOSTRIKE and made available for employment by CG MCCEN-HQ. The 168 Signal Co is an element of a critical unit, the 3d Msl Cmb, and will not be released at this time.

3. Referring to the Hq and Hq Co of the 3d Msl Cmb This Hq does not concur in release of this unit.

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Primary unit to provide administrative and logistical support for the FL NT advanced H must be obtained from other sources. The 3d Msl Cmb is considered a critical unit and has been reported as part of the MCCEN-HQ Forces constituting the JCS reserve.

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CINOSTRIKE JCS

BRIEF: 2. Certain combat and service support units currently on the STB C order list, but not committed to JPL N 312, 314, or 316, and comprising part of the MCCEN-HQ Forces constituting the JCS reserve are being withdrawn and committed to the JDI-FL K defense of the Florida Keys. While it is recognized that every eventuality must be accounted for, it does seem that the concentration of forces in Florida would be sufficient to preclude any threat against this area.

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3. This Hq has nonconcurred in the release of two elements of the 3d Msl Cmb. The Hq and Hq Co was committed without prior clearance with this Hq. The 168 Signal Co was requested and denied by me.

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4. The 3d Msl Cmb (air) is an air transportable unit and is capable of providing massive fire power. I strongly recommend this unit be retained intact for emergency use as directed in the present placement plan.

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CINOSTRIKE MCCEN-HQ

BRIEF: 1. It is directed that the Hq of the 1st and Div be moved to Ft Stewart Ga concurrently w/ Task Force Charlie.

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2. Movement directive is being prepared to move element floating w/ to Ft Stewart GA following op.



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3. Prepare on-call force 1st Land Div for movement by rail, probably destination Ft Stewart.

42	CONARC	RADCOM	BRIEF: Part one for RADCOM (S) in anticipation of utilization of 2/52 Herc BN (-) located at Ft Bliss, Texas, request you notify this Hqs, I-fo USARMYFOUR, US Air Dev Cen, and USARMYTHREE CS-P of: a. Approval by JCS b. Authority to move. c. Final destination d. Expected date on site e. Command which will assume operational control of 2/52 part two for USARMYFOUR, and USARISEPT f. Take immediate action to expedite preparation for movement of 2/52.	Journal
43	CONARC	CONARC	BRIEF: Lt Gen Waters has reported for temporary duty at my hq and has been announced as acting Dep CG.	Journal
44	CONARC	CONARC	Recommended adoption of proposals, pertaining to the drawings of dummy parachutists	Journal
45	CONARC	CONARC	JCS 6513 states - make best possible deployment Miami-Homestead Area. Telecons JCS-CONARC late 23 Oct in stated JCS opinion that the JCS statement meant deploy both battalions in the Miami-Homestead Area. I desire to deploy: a. The Nike Hercules to the Miami-Homestead area to provide SAM defense of Homestead and the contiguous population therein in that locality. b. The Hawk Bn to provide low altitude SAM defense for: 1. Homestead AFB (2), Fannick (2), MacMillan AFB. Request CFP authority to deploy the two battalions as I have planned.	Journal

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CINCINAD ARADCOM

It is requested that you take necessary action with CONARC to deploy the following units:

1. 2d Bn, 62th Arty (Nike Hercules) (minus 1 btry) from Ft Bliss, Tex, to the Miami/Homestead AFB, Florida, area to provide
2. 8th Bn, 15th Arty (Hawk) fr Ft Lewis, Wash to Florida to provide low altitude CIM defense of following installations a. Homestead AFB - b. Patrick AFB - c. MacBil AFB.

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47	242200	LtCol Recurr, CONARC R/C	LtCol LaChaussee, CONARC	Five additional Air Force units required per discussion of Gen Exton, CONARC, these units are submitted: Unit Army Location Str Auth Assd 4/203 3 T LAMAR, IL 473 424 2/274 2 THEND, OHIO 473 424 3/437 2 C NTIN, OHIO 473 417 4/200 1 NTHCI, NMEX 463 372 2/412 2 THORGETON, Del 473 317 Passed to Mr. King, Mon 11	Journal
48	242115	CINCINAD	ACC	CINCINAD required ACC on auth for CONARC direction movement of 8/54 Arty and raising operational control to E DCDM (CONARC 222421)	Journal
49	242349	CINCINAD	CONARC	Be informed CONARC of additional units nominated for or considered for Air priority mobilization. (12/20025)	Journal
50	242213	ACC	CINCL NT	ACC requests CINCL NT take action to move 7th Arty from Ft. Bragg to Homestead AFB, immediately	Journal CONARC
51	242147	31/	Major Army Commanders	Transmittal of security guidance for military and civilian personnel of the Dept of Defense.	Journal
52	242200 242200	31/	ACC	Movement report of 7th Arty	Journal

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24 October -- 0830 Hours -- GENERAL PARKER's DEBRIEF

1. I have been looking for a message from JCS concerning the use of the National Guard AW units -- check it.

(NOTE: Taber, Plans, present (action Mock). Mock informed 0850.)

2. What three or four AW units are the highest operationally ready. I have asked General Carns to look into this. Same note as in 1 above. (Taber passed to O&T -- Foster has action.)

3. When will the Meade HAWK unit be operational? I have stated 26th; if this is not true, tell me. Check with Mock. It is about right. He will check with ARADCOM.

I want to know operational readiness estimate on NIKK and 2 HAWK. (Mock has action.)

Is the NIKK STRAC? Answer: Yes.

Clear up the number of batteries in the cable which went out on this. (Mock has action.)

4. Message on WR Board from CONARC to AMC concerning data resulting from investigation of Savannah as a port for 1st Armored.

Question: What is recommendation? Check AMC for answer. AMC may want to check with CONARC before giving General Wheeler his answer. (WH has action.)

General Wheeler wants medium armor before D-3 -- mention Anderson's name. (WH has action.) This is same problem Anderson has been working on. This disagreement on the plan will be discussed with CONARC.

5. Additional guidance: General Parker wants answers piecemeal on operational readiness of HAWK and NIKK. Express the number of batteries rather than the Battalion (-).

JESSE F. WHEELER  
Colonel, GS

## SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

Period 230515 to \_\_\_\_\_

1. 230515 CONARC directed mvt of trans boat and floating craft units DAIN 279072
2. 230515 CONARC directed movement of Hq, 3d Mal Cnd to Lauderdale (Admin spt for ARLANT); requested CINOSTRIKE release units earmarked for flak plan DAIN 279156  
DAIN 279070
3. 231025 Blockade commences 241000 EDT; Sec Def auth to call up Res, extend active duty, freeze pers CINFO
4. 232121 JCS req USA provide HAWK 3n to CINCONAD JCS 6906
5. 232204 DA referred HAWK require to CONARC DA 320401
6. 231520 JCS stepped up security on U.S. Cuban opn bases; DA dispatched implement instr JCS 6904
7. 232032 CONARC req ret 250 pers from CDEC; DA req CDC to comply DAIN 279463
8. 232004 CONARC furnished AMC data on Savannah ramp project DAIN 279591
9. 232320 CONARC designated 4th Div min 2BG, plus 1st Inf Div elms in Europe as Europe reinforcing div vice 1st Inf Div DAIN 279605
10. 240444 JCS directed CINCARIB to hold in abeyance action against Cuba bound vessels transiting Panama Canal JCS 6927
11. 240500 CONARC req auth from DA to cancel demon for AMC sched 31 Oct.